

SUMMER DAY CAMP: PARENT INFORMATION

**this information does not pertain to Camp Joy*

Welcome

On behalf of the City of Greensboro Parks and Recreation Department, welcome to our Summer Day Camp Program! We are excited that you have chosen us to care for your child this summer. The following information will answer some common questions about summer camp at one of our eleven recreation centers, Sportsplex All-Star Sports Camp and Caldcleugh Arts Camp. If you have additional questions, please contact 373-2588. For information specific to Camp Joy, please contact 373-2954.

Mission

“The Greensboro Parks & Recreation Department exists to provide professional and diverse leisure opportunities through inclusive programs, facilities, parks and open space, ensuring that Greensboro is a desirable place to work, live and play.”

Age Requirements

Our camps are specifically designed for youth ages 5-12 (5 year olds must have completed kindergarten). Additional camps may be offered for other age groups, please contact specific locations for additional information. Birth certificates may be required to verify a child's age.

Camp Counselors

All summer camp counselors are employed by the City of Greensboro. Each counselor has received clearance through a competitive interview process as well as drug and background screenings. The counselor to camper ratio is at least a 1:15. All camp staff members are American Red Cross First Aid, CPR, & AED certified and receive additional training prior to the start of camp.

Open House

We would like to invite you to come to our open house in June. This will give you an opportunity to meet staff, management, and ask any questions you may have. You will receive more information from your specific camp location as we get closer to summer.

Payment Information

Please contact your specific camp location of choice for payment information and due dates. Please note, that additional fees may apply for field trips.

Hours of Operation

* Recreation Center camp hours are from 7:30 am-6 pm. * All – Star Sports Camp at Sportsplex hours are from 7:30am - 5:00 pm. * Caldcleugh Camp hours are from 8:00 am -6:00pm. Failure to pick up your child by the closing time may result in additional fees. Parents must sign their child in and out each day. If someone else is picking up your child please be sure they are included on the application and that they bring a photo ID. We will not allow children to go home with anyone who is not on the pick-up list and does not have photo ID.

What to Bring to Camp

All campers should bring a lunch and afternoon snack to camp. Please DO NOT pack anything in your child's lunch that needs to be microwaved or refrigerated. We have vending machines that campers can buy a drink and a snack for \$.75-\$2.00 per item. If your child has allergies or special dietary needs, please let a staff member know. We also suggest bringing a sleeping bag or something comfortable to lie on during rest time. It is recommended that all items sent with a camper, have their name on it (towels, lunch boxes, etc). We also recommend campers bring sunscreen and a water bottle with their name on it. We also advise that camper's do not bring anything to camp that they consider valuable and don't want to lose, as we can't be held liable for lost or stolen items.

Camp Rules

Children attending Summer Day Camp will be asked to abide by the following rules:

1. No stealing or borrowing things that do not belong to them.
2. For safety of everyone, children must follow all instructions.
3. Children must show respect for their peers and staff members
4. Children must keep their feet and hands to themselves—fighting is not permitted in any form and may result in immediate expulsion from camp.
5. Children must be quiet and listen when counselors are speaking.
6. Children must not be disruptive during group activities.

Discipline Policy

The following policy will be enforced for those children who disobey rules or instructions given by center staff:

1. If the infraction is not severe, the child will be given one verbal warning.
2. After one verbal warning, if the conduct continues, the child is placed in "time out" and asked to sit quietly for 5-10 minutes.
3. If the child continues the same behavior, additional time out will be added in a separate area.
4. If the behavior does not improve, the child may be released from the program after going through the following steps:
 - a. Verbal warning to child and notification to parent.
 - b. Verbal warning to child and written warning notification to parent or conference.
 - c. Child is suspended or released from Summer Day Camp program.
5. Possession of a weapon or anything that can be used as a weapon by a camper will result in immediate dismissal.

Electronics Policy

Please do not allow your child to bring electronics of any kind to camp (Gameboy, DS, CD Player, MP3 Player, radio, etc.) We will NOT be responsible if they are lost, broken, or stolen. In addition, campers are NOT allowed to have cell phones at camp. We have an office phone if you need to contact your child. If your child brings his/her cell phone to camp, it will be confiscated and put in the office for the remainder of the day until a parent or guardian arrives.

Dress Code

While trying to stay cool, be mindful of appropriate short lengths and tank tops. Shorts must be at least mid-thigh length with no undergarments visible and no spaghetti straps. Clothes must not contain profane language or potentially offensive images/material. We also require that your child wear tennis shoes at camp. We require that campers wear their shoes at all times. Sandals, flip-flops, slip-ons, etc may only be worn when inside the pool area. For camps where swimming is offered; campers should bring appropriate swimwear to change into. If a child arrives at camp dressed inappropriately, parents will be required to bring a change of clothes.